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27 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
28 **FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

19 **WESTERN DIVISION**

20 ELECTRIC SOLIDUS, INC. d/b/a SWAN  
21 BITCOIN, a Delaware corporation,

22 Plaintiff,

23 v.

24 PROTON MANAGEMENT LTD., a  
25 British Virgin Islands corporation;  
26 THOMAS PATRICK FURLONG; ILIOS  
27 CORP., a California corporation;  
28 MICHAEL ALEXANDER HOLMES;  
RAFAEL DIAS MONTELEONE;  
SANTHIRAN NAIDOO; ENRIQUE  
ROMUALDEZ; and LUCAS  
VASCONCELOS,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:24-cv-8280-WLH-E

**DECLARATION OF ILISSA  
SAMPLIN IN SUPPORT OF  
PLAINTIFF'S RENEWED *EX PARTE*  
APPLICATION FOR EXPEDITED  
DISCOVERY ORDER**

Judge: Hon. Wesley L. Hsu  
Action Filed: September 25, 2024

1 I, ILISSA SAMPLIN, declare and state as follows:

2       1. I am an attorney admitted to practice law before this Court and the courts  
3 of this state. I am a partner at the law firm of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, and counsel  
4 of record for Plaintiff Electric Solidus, Inc. d/b/a Swan Bitcoin (“Swan”) in the above-  
5 captioned case. I have personal knowledge of all the facts set forth in this declaration  
6 and, if called to testify, I could and would competently testify to them.

7       2. Attached as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff’s First  
8 Expedited Set of Interrogatories to Defendants Ilios Corp., Thomas Patrick Furlong,  
9 Michael Alexander Holmes, Rafael Dias Monteleone, Santhiran Naidoo, Enrique  
10 Romualdez, and Lucas Vasconcelos (“Individual Defendants”). My partner Christine  
11 Demana sent these First Expedited Set of Interrogatories to counsel for the Individual  
12 Defendants via email in the same form attached hereto (not including minor  
13 typographical corrections and reordering) on October 8, 2024.

14       3. Attached as **Exhibit B** is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff’s First  
15 Expedited Requests for the Production of Documents to Individual Defendants. My  
16 partner Ms. Demana sent these First Expedited Requests to counsel for the Individual  
17 Defendants via email in the same form attached hereto (not including minor  
18 typographical corrections and reordering) on October 8, 2024.

19       4. Attached as **Exhibit C** is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff’s First  
20 Expedited Set of Interrogatories to Defendant Proton Management Ltd. (“Proton”). My  
21 partner Ms. Demana sent these First Expedited Set of Interrogatories to counsel for  
22 Proton via email in the same form attached hereto (not including minor typographical  
23 corrections and reordering) on October 8, 2024.

24       5. Attached as **Exhibit D** is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff’s First  
25 Expedited Requests for the Production of Documents to Defendant Proton. My partner  
26 Ms. Demana sent these First Expedited Requests to counsel for Proton via email in the  
27 same form attached hereto (not including minor typographical corrections) on October  
28 8, 2024.

1       6. Attached as **Exhibit E** is a true and correct copy of emails between Swan's  
2 counsel and counsel for the Individual Defendants and counsel for Defendant Proton  
3 concerning the return of Swan's laptops, the last of which is dated October 9, 2024.

4       7. Attached as **Exhibit F** is a true and correct copy of emails between Swan's  
5 counsel and counsel for the Individual Defendants and counsel for Defendant Proton  
6 concerning Swan's expedited discovery requests that are the subject of Swan's Renewed  
7 *Ex Parte* Application for Expedited Discovery Order, the last of which is dated October  
8 9, 2024.

9           I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed  
10 on this 9th day of October 2024, in Los Angeles, California.

12       Dated: October 9, 2024                   Respectfully submitted,

13   GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER LLP

15       By: /s/ Ilissa Samplin

16   Ilissa Samplin

17   Attorneys for Plaintiff